

## **News Release**

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## **Dworshak Dam and Reservoir ready for spring visitors**

**Orofino, Idaho** – Enjoy beautiful north Idaho at the facilities operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Dworshak Dam and Reservoir. The reservoir level is changing every day and Bruce's Eddy Ramp #1, Big Eddy and Dent Acres ramps are open.

Early season camping begins April 10 at Dent Acres Campground. Site fees are \$10 per day by self-deposit registration. Regular season camping starts May 22 with full hook-up sites available for \$18 per night. Make reservations for the regular season by calling (877) 444-6777, or by visiting the website, www.recreation.gov.

Those seeking a more primitive camping experience can visit Dam View and Canyon Creek where primitive camping is available at no charge starting April 1.

The Big Eddy day use area offers attractions to young and old. Big Eddy amenities include a swim beach, playground, picnic shelters and barbecue grills. Take a hike along the Big Eddy trail to Dworshak State Park and have a picnic at one of several minicamps along the way. The Merry's Bay day use area opens April 1 and offers secluded picnicking and fishing.

Turkey hunting season is just around the corner. Hunting is allowed on all Corps property around the reservoir except in developed recreation areas. Be aware that ATV operation is prohibited off designated roads and behind gates or fences.

Please follow all safety precautions while recreating in the forest during the hunting season. When boating on the reservoir, remember that lake levels can change quickly. The weather may be warming but water in Dworshak is still very cold from the spring snowmelt.

For updated water level and boat ramp information, call (800) 321-3198. Always be aware of the hypothermia danger and wear a Coast Guard approved personal flotation device. For more information regarding facilities access and current conditions call (208) 476-1261, or stop by our Visitor Center, which is open Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

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